

# Accelerating the implementation of the Paris Agreement with the engagement of all levels of government

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The Paris Agreement resulted in an inclusive climate regime pursuant to preamble para.15 which recognizes the importance of engagement of all levels of governments and various actors. The side event will focus on various options and experiences of local and subnational governments in this regard, highlighting the Committee of the Regions of the European Union as an important good practice.

**Facilitator:** *Susanne Nolden, Department of International Affairs and Global Sustainability, City of Bonn, Germany*

**Welcome Remarks:** *Gino Van Begin, Secretary General, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability*

## Presentations :

"COP21 outcomes and the way forward for local and subnational governments in raising ambition and accelerating action"

**Maryke van Staden**, *Manager of ICLEI's Low Carbon Cities Agenda and Director of Bonn Center for Local Climate Action and Reporting (carbonn Center), ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability*

"The European Committee of the Regions and the institutionalization of a multi-level governance in the EU"

**Karl Heinz Lambertz**, *First Vice-President, European Committee of the Regions, President of the Parliament of the German-speaking Community, Belgium*

**Peter Terpstra**, *Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Head of Delegation UNFCCC, representing the EU Presidency and the Co-Chair of Friends of Cities at the UNFCCC*

## Discussants: (invited)

**Tadashi Matsumoto**, *Senior Policy Analyst, Ph.D., Regional Development Policy, Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate, OECD*

**Brendan Guy**, *Manager, International Policy, Natural Resources Defense Council, US; Steering Committee Member, Galvanizing the Groundswell of Climate Actions*

**Yann Francoise**, *Head of Climate and Energy Strategies, Parks and Environment Directorate, Urban Ecology Agency, City of Paris, France*

Representatives of Parties engaged in the Friends of Cities at the UNFCCC

